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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant for Plans and Development, NPIC

ATTENTION: Chief, Development Branch, P&DS/NPIC

FROM: Chief, Imagery Analysis Division, CIA

SUBJECT: P.I. Rapid Copy Viewer/Printer

REFERENCES: 1) P&DS Memorandum, NPIC/P&DS-303/65, dated 27 August 1965
2) IAD Memorandum, IAD/OSS-346/65, dated 16 November 1965
3) NPIC Technical Development Plan for FY-67
4) [redacted] Technical Proposal #66-3557-1, dated 8 September 1966

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1. The referenced memoranda verified earlier discussions regarding the need for our PIs to have rapid access to "working" photo print enlargements. Subsequently, through liaison with personnel from your Staff, we have closely followed state-of-the-art advances in the photo-copy field, and although refinements in the "dry copy" processes under development by the [redacted] are most encouraging, the availability of reversal print materials of this type appears to be some distance in the future.

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2. Recently, through [redacted] of your Staff, we learned of [redacted] experiments with the [redacted] diffusion transfer reversal (DTR) process. Although similar to other DTR systems, the [redacted] process has sensitometric characteristics capable of reproducing continuous tone images with high quality.

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3. Following consultations with [redacted] and personnel from the Operations Support Staff, IAD, [redacted] submitted an unsolicited proposal [redacted] Technical Proposal 66-3557-1) to your Staff for the development of a "Photo-interpretation Rapid Copy Viewer/Printer" utilizing the [redacted] DTR process.

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4. At this time we wish merely to emphasize our strong interest in the [redacted] proposal and encourage its prompt approval by the P&DS Project Evaluation Committee.

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3. STATEMENT OF WORK

The recommended program will be accomplished as indicated in the following program schedule. The four primary categories of effort will be design, fabrication, assembly, and test. During the early phases of the program, human factors engineers will thoroughly evaluate and analyze the equipment operational characteristics to ensure an optimized man/machine relationship. The performance characteristics of the equipment deliverable under this procurement will be in accordance with the following design and performance specifications.

Program Schedule, months

